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- ☒ patent application of  
☐ continuation patent application of  
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☐ continuation-in-part patent application of

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For: Liquid Crystal Display Device

- ☒ This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos./filing dates:

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the disclosure(s) of which is (are) incorporated by reference.

- ☐ Please amend this application by adding the following before the first sentence: "This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ continuation-in-part of and claims the benefit of U.S. Application No. 60/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference."

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 24 page(s) of specification  
☒ 4 page(s) of claims  
☒ 1 page of Abstract  
☒ 21 sheet(s) of ☒ formal ☐ informal drawing(s)  
☒ An assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.  
☒ A Recordation Form Cover Sheet  
☒ A ☒ signed ☐ unsigned Declaration & Power of Attorney  
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